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MOSQUITO AND FLY

Dr. J. B. Cox Gives Some Good Advice on These Pests.

Dr. J. B. Cox, the county health officer had the following to say yesterday about the mosquito and fly; two very dangerous pests. What the doctor says is well worth thinking about:

The bite of the mosquito will inoculate you with the malarial parasite, causing chills and fever. The mosquito breeds in stagnant water, it is therefore important from a stand-point of health, to ditch off all stagnant ponds or pools of water around or near your premises; and do not allow barrels of water around your home this time of year, without being tightly covered or if allowed to stand open, to pour a few ounces of coal oil, which will spread over the top of water and kill the young mosquitoes as they come to the surface to get air.

The fly is a deadly enemy to the human family. They are carriers of disease germs from one house to another. It is said that a fly can carry 1,500 microbes or germs in the hollow of its feet. They light on and crawl around in the sputa or expectoration of the careless and thoughtless consumptive, who spits in the open cuspidor and in many instances on the floor or carpet, on the veranda or ground; on the dejection of the typhoid-fever sufferers, that have been poured out on the ground of the back yard, which becomes covered with the consumptive or typhoid germs, they fly into the dining room, light on to the custards, pies, and all other foods on the table and leave their deadly and poisonous germs for you and I and the innocent babes to eat, and in due course of time to become stricken down with fever, diphtheria, scarlatina, tuberculosis and many other diseases, which can be contracted in this same way.

So you can see at once the importance of keeping the fly on the outside, at least, by screening your houses. The favorite places of the breeding of these pests, is the stable, manure pile and the outside privy; hence the importance of screening the privy and frequent cleaning out of the stables and horse lot and hauling away this refuse and scatter over your farms, which is the best of fertilizers, thereby enriching your farms and at the same time preventing sickness and disease in your own home. In towns it would be a good thing if the livery stables and all other stables were screened the refuse shoveled and swept up every day and placed in a close fly-proof box and carried away at least twice a week.

The fly is a great annoyance to the horse and should be screened out. Large fly-traps can be set in the back alleys of the business part of the town and back yards of residences, properly baited, and millions can be caught and destroyed, and by a united effort and action of all, the fly can be exterminated. The old adage—an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure—is true, better to prevent diseases than attempt to cure them.

Fayette Robinson.

A special from Milan under date of June 3 says: Fayette Robinson, aged 55 years, died at his residence here yesterday, after a long illness of tuberculosis. He was a well-known citizen in Gibson county, and was a member of the Baptist church, and is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Will Younger, of Cedar Grove; Mrs. John Askew, of Hickory Flat, and Mrs. Tilford Butler, of this place; three sons, Newton, Robert and John Robinson, of this place. Funeral services were conducted today at his home by Rev. W. L. Norris. Interment followed at Friendship cemetery.

SIMS THE NOMINEE

Incumbent Only Candidate to Qualify Within Time.

Under rules adopted by the eighth congressional democratic committee on January 23, calling for a primary on August 1, and in event but one candidate qualified by noon of June 1, he was to be declared by the chairman of the committee the nominee for congress. Congressman T. W. Sims was last Saturday declared the democratic nominee for congress by H. E. Graper, chairman of the committee, Mr. Sims being the only candidate to qualify.

Mr. Sims is very fortunate in securing the nomination without the hard fight he usually has to make, and is to be congratulated. He is making a fine member of congress, proving himself very useful and it is nothing but right that his merit and good service should be thus recognized by his party. He will no doubt be re-elected by the usual big majority.

Buys Farm.

M. H. Allen, who has lived in the Twenty-fourth district for some time, has bought the Henry Crews farm in the Seventeenth district. The deal was made last week and the consideration was in the neighborhood of \$3,000. Mr. Allen also took Mr. Crews' stock and farming implements. Mr. Crews moved out Sunday and Mr. Allen moved in Monday. Mr. Crews will spend the summer near Mansfield and his wife and daughter will visit relatives in Hickman, Ky., for awhile. Mr. Allen came to this county a few years ago from Henry county and is a clever citizen.

Sidewalks at Trezevant.

The citizens of East Main street, at Trezevant, recently held a mass meeting and decided to supplement the sidewalk fund of the City Council with a private subscription and build 6,400 feet of concrete sidewalk. The authorities were planning to build another plank walk and the citizens decided that it would not be in keeping with the marked progress in other ways in the town, and therefore the concrete walk will be put down.

Bad Strawberry Year.

The strawberry season is over and in the strawberry section of this county the results were not very satisfactory. The crop was not a profitable crop this year. The yield was very good but the prices which started off well soon dropped below the paying point. A number of farmers have plowed up their plants and planted corn on the ground.

Child Dies.

Eurana, the 18-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Garvin Boswell, of the Buena Vista community, died last Tuesday from the effects of whooping cough followed by pneumonia. The burial occurred Wednesday at Hebron. The family have the sympathy of their neighbors and friends in their sad loss.

Removing Jail.

The old jail is being torn down and the debris removed from the ground preparatory to the building of a \$20,000 jail for Carroll county. The Pauly Jail Building Company, of St. Louis, has the contract and J. J. Lankford, representing that company, is here making arrangements for the erection of the new structure.

"Generally debilitated for years. Had sick headache, lacked ambition, was worn out and all run down. Burdock Blood Bitters made me a well woman."—Mrs. Charles Freitroy, Moosup, Can.

COTTON CROP

Later Than Last Year in Most Cotton States.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal last Monday published the following with reference to condition of cotton planting:

Reports from correspondents of The Commercial Appeal of date of May 28 and 29 indicate a probable decrease in the acreage planted to cotton this season of 6 per cent. These figures are, however, more than usually indeterminate, as considerable planting remains to be done over wide areas.

Correspondents' estimates on the conditions of the crop as compared to normal indicate a percentage of 80 to 83.

The crop is later than last year in all states save the two Carolinas and Texas and over the whole belt, the land preparation is less thorough and planting was begun at a later date than last year. Rapid germination has, however, done much to restore the time lost.

The plant is generally healthy and growing thriftily and where it is advanced enough cultivation is making normal progress.

In Tennessee the report shows that the decrease in acreage is estimated at 13 per cent. There remains yet cotton to be planted in most sections. Where up the plant is healthy and there is no grass. Cultivation is making good headway. The soil is often, however, cloddy. Considerable replanting has been necessary on account of irregular stands. The amount of cotton that has come up is estimated at 77 per cent as compared to 77 per cent last year.

To Road Contractors.

I am informed that some of you are having trouble about grading your roads by people's horses, that some refuse you the right and some fill up your water furrows. Now you are employed by the county judge to work and grade all public roads in the county and you are given the right to do this work. So use your best judgment at all times and grade all roads where they need it.

Don't lead the water on or off no one, but let it go its natural course and keep your road well drained. This you have a right to do and must do and if any one maliciously fill up your road ditches or refuse to let you work the road as required by law, just notify me and I will investigate the matter.

Yours for better roads.

G. W. FOSTER,
Road Commissioner.

Teachers Attention.

The railroads have granted reduced rates to the teachers attending the state institute at Martin, Tenn., beginning June 10. Let every teacher ask the ticket agent for certificate, and get reduced rates on return trip.

M. W. ROBINSON,
Assistant State Superintendent.

Big Singing.

All singers within reach are invited to be at Bethel the third Sunday in June. Come, let us spend the day together in song. Everybody come and hear us.

Yours in song,

HOMER E. LOWRANCE,
McKenzie, Tenn.

Decorate Graves.

The Odd Fellows, of McKenzie, observed their decoration day at Mt. Olivet last Sunday. D. A. Burkhalter delivered the address. A large crowd was in attendance. This was also the regular annual decoration day observed by the cemetery association and friends.

Mrs. E. M. Gibson is visiting her son, Jerry Gibson, in Decatur, Ala.

D. D. WARBRITTON

Died Recently at His Home in Arkansas.

Our good friend N. B. Nesbitt was in town last Monday and told us of the death of D. D. Warbritton, which occurred at his home near Greenway, Ark., May 16. He was 70 years old, a member of the Methodist church and leaves a wife and several children.

Mr. Nesbitt said that he, Mr. Warbritton, W. E. Mebane and W. H. Hawkins started to school in 1843 to Dr. A. W. Hawkins, at Old Shady Grove school house, which stood just across the creek from the present site of Beaver Creek academy, and that of all the students that were in school at that time only those mentioned above are now living.

Mr. Warbritton was a confederate soldier and left this county, where he was born and reared, about 46 years ago. He was back here on a visit last year. He has been a subscriber to the Democrat for many years, and always visited the office when in Huntingdon.

He was of a family of thirteen children and according to Mr. Nesbitt's information only two, Mrs. Tom Everett and Mrs. Mary Jane Kirk, both of this county, are all that now survive.

EQUALIZATION BOARD

Effort to Equalize the Tax Assessment of County.

The Carroll County Equalization Board met last Monday and took up the task of equalizing the property assessment of the county. The board is composed of J. F. Leach, J. S. Browning, Joe B. Dill, M. H. McLean and M. F. Hurdle. The board organized by electing J. F. Leach, chairman and M. H. McLean, secretary.

The board finds a pretty lively task before them. It is hard to get property fairly assessed. Some citizens are willing to give in their property at a reasonable valuation, while others resort to every means in their power to have their property assessed as low as possible. There are farms in the county well worth \$50 and \$60 an acre assessed at less than \$20. There is much property assessed at less than one-third its cash value. This is not fair to the man who gives in his property at a fair valuation.

BONDS FOR ROADS

Effort to Have Carroll County Consider the Question.

We recognize the fact that it is not popular with everybody to advocate the voting of bonds to build roads. But the Democrat without reference to this feature of the question is going to take up the fight for just such a proposition.

We advocated the building of graveled streets in Huntingdon. It cost some money to build the streets, and there was some opposition, but now everybody is pleased and they could not be induced to go back to conditions that obtained before the improvements were made.

Good roads can be built in Carroll county comparatively cheaper than it cost the people of Huntingdon. That is the building of the roads will not cause as high an increase in the rate of taxes and the county will be just as well pleased when the job is completed as are the people of Huntingdon.

We want to see two great trunk roads extending through the entire county, and other roads from populous sections of the county intersecting these roads at convenient points so as to give practically the entire county the benefit of the improvements.

How does the proposition strike you? The columns of the Democrat are open to anyone wishing to have anything to say for or against the proposition. We hope to hear from you. Write short pointed articles on the subject.

JUNE WEDDINGS.

Williams-Pickler.

Mr. Lucian Williams was married last Sunday to Miss Lenna Pickler. The wedding occurred at the home of the bride's father, J. E. Pickler, near Buena Vista. Squire John Palmer officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by a few special friends. These are clever young people and their many friends wish them much happiness in their married life.

McMackins-McMackins.

Virgil McMackins, son of J. W. McMackins, of near Rosser, and Miss Pearl McMackins, daughter of J. D. McMackins, of the Nineteenth district, were married last Sunday at Rosser, Squire Homer Williams officiating. The marriage was witnessed by a number of friends. They are fine young people, of good families, and received the congratulations of many friends. The ceremony was said near the W. O. W. hall, where a singing service was in progress. The wedding, however, was not expected at this time and was something of a surprise.

Argo-Bomar.

A marriage of popular young people of Trezevant occurred last Sunday. The contracting parties were Mr. Andrew M. Argo and Miss Sarah E. Bomar, and the ceremony was said at the home of the bride's father, Spencer Bomar, the pastor of the Baptist church, Rev. L. V. Henson, officiating. The marriage was on the quiet order, yet several special friends were present. The groom is the son of Hon. A. J. Argo, is an employe of the L. & N. railroad as telegraph operator and is a fine young man. The bride is a most beautiful and charming young lady, is a sister of Miss Martha Bomar, who is with Ben H. Jamison, of Huntingdon, and they both have many friends who wish them much happiness and prosperity in their married life. They will reside in Paris.

McCrary-Spellings.

Mr. William McCrary, of Nashville, and Miss Vivian V. Spellings, of McKenzie, were united in marriage last Saturday night at the home of Mr. Will A. Young in McKenzie. The bride is the accomplished daughter of the late William Spellings. The marriage was a quiet affair, only a few relatives being present. The Rev. H. C. Hearn officiated. The newly wedded couple will make their home in Nashville.

Young-Pratt.

Miss Gerda Pratt and Carlie Young were married in McKenzie Thursday night of last week at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ada Pratt. They left on the midnight train for Chicago and other points. The marriage was quite a surprise to their many friends. Mrs. Young is one of McKenzie's most popular young women and has been a successful music teacher in Bethel College for the last few years. Mr. Young, who for the past three years has lived in Iowa, is a successful electrician.

Edwards-Bridges.

Irley Edwards and Miss Virgie Bridges, of the Twenty-third district, were married last Sunday. The ceremony was said by Squire H. A. Vick, in the presence of several special friends. They are clever young people with a number of friends in their neighborhood who wish them much happiness in their married life.

Stanton-Jones.

Rufus H. Stanton, of Tatum, S. C., and Miss Agnes Jones, of Trezevant, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride. We failed to learn any particulars other than they left immediately for the home of the groom.

SOCIETY

Delta Theta Epsilon.

At Hotel Olive on Friday evening, Miss Mary Box was hostess to the Delta Theta Epsilon Club, with a most charming entertainment. She was assisted in receiving by her sister, Miss Ida Box, and a delicious punch was served the guests on their arrival by Miss Madeline Lusky, who was beautiful in a dainty lingerie frock with white ribbons.

In a most interesting contest on flowers, trees, fruits and vegetables, the prizes, beautiful silk hose, were awarded Miss Edna Jamison and Miss Love Hawkins.

One particularly lovely feature of the entertainment was the arrangement of the diningroom. A progression was made to an apartment on the third floor, where one of the most beautiful tables of the season was placed. Suspended from the chandelier and hanging directly over an elaborate battenburg centerpiece over blue, was a silver moon with a shower of blue ribbon and for-get-me-nots, from the four corners of the table large bows of blue ribbon were festooned. Mesdames Tidwell and Vawter presided in this beautifully improvised diningroom, and served two delicious courses.

The hostess was gowned in a blue silk with macreme trimmings, and Miss Ida Box wore white all-over embroidery, with touches of pink satin.

The next meeting will be with Miss Mary Hawkins, June 21.

A Linen Shower.

A linen shower was given by Miss Mattie Wilkins Herron on Monday afternoon, June 3, in honor of Miss Agnes Jones, a charming bride-elect.

The guests were seated on the lawn, where were placed small tables decorated with roses, upon their arrival, a piano solo was rendered by Miss Denton. A rose contest was another interesting feature of the afternoon, in which Miss Jennie Williams, of Jackson, Tenn., won the prize. An appropriate reading was delightfully presented by Miss Grace Jones. The gifts were then showered from a basket by Miss Sammie Herron, who was dressed as a laundress. Afterward a delicious ice course was served. The hostess was assisted in receiving by her sister, Miss Herron.

Miss Agnes Jones was beautifully gowned in white lace over blue missaline, and a white picture hat.

Trezevant, June 5.

Mrs. Dickey Entertains.

The W. C. T. U. met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Elitia Dickey, at her residence on Edgewood Farm, and observed Miss Jennie Casseday's birthday as Flower Mission Day. At the conclusion of the interesting program a social hour followed. Mrs. Dickey was assisted by Mrs. Iris Pickett, who served ice tea to the guests upon their arrival. Other assistants of the hostess were Mrs. T. S. Jenkins and Mrs. S. P. McConkey. A delicious ice course was served at the close of the afternoon. A large number of members and visitors enjoyed Mrs. Dickey's hospitality.

Delightful Entertainment.

Mrs. C. C. Watson complimented quite a number of her friends from town with an exceedingly pleasant outing in the grove near her residence Tuesday afternoon. Field exercises were the order of the afternoon, target shooting, heavy weight throwing, running, jumping and the naming of trees. Honors were won by Miss Tessie Mebane, who was presented with a handsome china plate. The box of bonbons went to Mrs. Taylor. Delicious salad and ice courses were served by the hostess at the close of the afternoon.